

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : LINCOLN

SUBJECT: WH (PBS) (1-3)

INFO : DCI (4), D/DCI (5), DD/P (L) (6), WH (7), SA/PC/DCI (8)

CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM  
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2003

LINC 4472 (IN 22906)

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PRIORITY

TO: DIR

INFO: (PRIORITY)  
SQUAT

PRECEDENCE  
CITE: SLINC

RYBAT PBSUCCESS

DAILY OP SITREP NO. 14

1. KUHOCK:

A. STRENGTH - NO CHANGE

B. MOVEMENT

BOND - REMAINDER OF GROUP REPORTED POSITION AS APPROX

DE 6504.

TOMMY - NO REPORT

HANK - AIR RE-SUPPLY DELIVERED TO FOUR-MAN RECEPTION TEAM

AT CF 9825, PREVIOUSLY REPORTED LOCATION REMAINDER HANK FORCE.

DANNY-JOHNNY-ADVANCE ON ZACAPA HALTED DUE TO SUPERIOR  
ENEMY FIRE POWER AND LACK OF FRIENDLY AIR SUPPORT. TACTICAL  
FIGHTER MISSIONS CANCELLED DUE BAD WEATHER. SIXTY FRIENDLY RE-  
INFORCEMENTS MOVING FROM JOCOTAN TO CHIQUIMULA. FRIENDLY REAR  
GUARD REAR IPALA APPROX LOCATION CG 6978 ATTEMPTING CONTAIN ENEMY  
ADVANCE TO QUETZALTENPEQUE AND/OR CHIQUIMULA WHILE AWAITING  
FRIENDLY AIR SUPPORT. STRONG ENEMY COLUMN REPORTED MOVING TOWARD

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QUETZALTEPEQUE. CALLIGERIS FEARS BATTLE LOST IF THIS ADVANCE NOT HALTED. APPEARS ENEMY INTENDS SEVER CALLIGERIS ROUTE OF RETREAT TO ESQUIPULAS. CALLIGERIS INSTRUCTED TO HOLD HIS PRESENT POSITIONS OR PHASE INTO GUERILLA WAR-FARE BUT TO DELAY MAIN ENGAGEMENT UNTIL AIR SUPPORT AVAILABLE. MAXIMUM AIR SUPPORT PROMISED FOR 28 JUNE.

2. KUGOWN: SHERWOOD ON AIR WITHIN HALF HOUR AFTER STANDEL RESIGNATION. STATED WAITING FOR DECISION HIGH COMMAND. SHERWOOD INSTRUCTED PREPARE LEAFLETS FOR FIELD TROOPS. DELIVERING ULTIMATUM TO DIAZ TO ELIMINATE COMMUNISM AND JOIN CALLIGERIS. MAXIMUM AIR SHOW CALLED FOR NOON 28 JUNE OVER ADAM. TO CREATE IMPRESSION OF STRENGTH AT THIS CRITICAL PERIOD.

3. K-PROGRAM: STANDEL RESIGNATION AND TRANSFER POWER TO [ ] MAY PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY REALIZE BENEFITS THROUGH [ ] WHO HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION. HIS SUCCESS IS DOUBTFUL IN VIEW PAST INERTIA. FIELD TROOPS BEING INDUCED DEFECT BY SHERWOOD BROADCASTS AND LEAFLETS.

4. AIR: STATUS A/C:  
SOMERSET:

- 4 F-47 OPERATIONAL.
- 2 F-47 NON OPERATIONAL.
- 1 P-38 NON OPERATIONAL.
- 2 C-47 OPERATIONAL.

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FJHOPEFUL:

1 C-47 OPERATIONAL.

3 P-51 ENROUTE 28 JUNE.

1 C-54 ETA 28 OR 29 JUNE.

MISSIONS: C-37 AM TO ZACAPA. A/C UNABLE DRAW FIRE. DROPPED FRAG BOMBS ALONG RR STATION AND NEAR BRIDGE CF-6736. C-38 C-39 AM DROPPED DRUMS GAS TO RECEPTION TEAM AT CHIQUIMULA AIRSTRIP. C-40 PM CARGO DROPPED AT CG1575 AND CF-9825.

FIGHTERS: F-24 AM TARGET ZACAPA. ENGINE TROUBLE. TWO FRAGS, A 250 POUNDER JETTISONED SEA. F-25 (P-38) AM TARGET FUEL STORAGE SAN JOSE, CUT COMMO ADAM. OVER TARGET MGS JAMMED, BOMB RELEASE FAILED. TWO 500 POUNDERS NEAR MISS ON TANKS SECOND TRY. A/C RECD MAJOR BATTLE DAMAGE TO TAIL ASSEMBLY. TWO DAY REPAIR JOB. F-26 AM ZACAPA CLOSED BY WEATHER. TWO FRAGS, A 250 POUNDER JETTISONED SEA.

GENERAL: A/C DISPERSED AT SOMERSET EVENT HOSTILE ATTACK. HOUSE-CLEANING PLAN FOR ANTICIPATED INSPECTION TEAM VISIT BEING PREPARED. FOUR QUALIFIED FIGHTER PILOTS AVAILABLE SOMERSET. MAX. EFFORT SCHEDULED FOR 28 JUNE. RECRUITMENT OF ADDITIONAL FTR PILOTS AND MECHS CONTINUING WITH FAVORABLE OUTLOOK.

5. GENERAL: STANDEL RESIGNED 27 JUNE TURNING GOVT OVER TO  
( ) ALLEGEDLY FOR BEST INTERESTS PEOPLE. HOWEVER ON SURFACE APPEARS TO BE POLIT. MANEUVER TO REMOVE COMMUNIST STIGMA ATTACHED

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TO STANDEL WHILE [ ] WOULD CARRY ON WITH ORIGINAL COURSE  
OF THE GOVT. AIR BOMBING SHOW OF STRENGTH BEING SENT IN 28  
JUNE TO PRESSURE GOVT TO ACCEPT FRIENDLY TERMS. ALTHOUGH PRESENT  
MOMENT FRIENDLY FORCES ARE IN PRECARIOUS POSITION, RAPIDLY  
INCREASING AIR AND GROUND FIRE CAPABILITY SHOULD SOON EVIDENCE  
POSITIVE CHANGE IN BATTLE CONDITIONS. PRESENT STRATEGY IS TO  
INCREASE PRESSURE ON GOVT AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY IN ORDER TO  
PREVENT ITS CONSOLIDATION AND FORCE ACCEPTANCE OF CALLIGERIS.

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